

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested. Applicant has rewritten claims 1, 11, 14, 18, 21, 29, canceled claims 3-8, 16, 17, 20, 22, 23 added new claims 31-32. Favorable reconsideration of this application is, consequently, earnestly solicited in view of the following remarks. Applicant gratefully appreciates the examiner's indication that claim 29 is allowable and claims 8, 11, 16, 18, 22, 23 and 27 contain allowable subject matter.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the novel "gimbal" of claim 8. Independent claim 14 has been amended to include the "gimbal" of claim 16. New claim 30 is a combination of former claims 14 and 18. New claim 31 is a combination of former claims 21 and 23. New claim 32 is a combination of former claims 21 and 27.

Applicant notes the examiner's reference to the information disclosure statement.

As to the objections to the drawings, applicant has now identified reference numerals "653 and 654" into the specification.

As to the objection that reference numerals 820 and 830 have not been described, applicant respectfully disagrees. The original specification on page 16, line 21 clearly refers to ".....keyboard **820** and the mouse **830**....." Thus, removal of this objection is respectfully requested.

As to the objection to the drawing Figures 1 and 7A, applicant has included replacement sheets for those figures using the reference number "200" for the ball. Removal of this objection is now requested.

The objection to the figures not showing the claimed features of claim 20 is noted. This rejection is now moot since this claim has been canceled.

As to the objection to claims 3-7, this objection is now moot since these claims have been canceled.

As to the objection to claim 14, this objection is now moot since the objected to phrase has been canceled.

The objection to claims 16 and 17 is now moot since these claims have been canceled.

The objection to claim 21 has been corrected.

The objection to claim 29 has been corrected.

Claims 1, 3-7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 21, 24-26 and 28 have been rejected under sec. 102b as being anticipated by Loper '280. This rejection is now moot since claim 1 has been amended to include the novel subject matter of claim 8, independent claim 14 has been amended to include the novel subject matter of claim 16, and independent claim 21 has been amended to include the novel subject matter of claim 22.

Claims 2, 9 and 13 were rejected under sec. 103 as being unpatentable over Loper in view of JP '863. This rejection is now moot since independent claim 1 has been amended as referenced above.

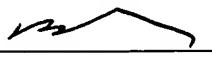
Claim 15 was rejected under sec. 103 as being unpatentable over Loper in view of Stephenson, which now moot since independent claim 14 has been amended to include the novel subject matter of claim 16.

Claim 20 was rejected under sec. 103 as being unpatentable over Loper, which is now moot since this claim has been canceled.

Applicant contends the references cannot be modified to incorporate the features of subject claims 1, 2, 9-15, 19, 21, and 24-32 without utilizing Applicant's disclosure. The courts have consistently held that obviousness cannot be established by combining the teachings of the prior art to Applicant to produce the claimed invention, absent some teaching, suggestion, incentive or motivation supporting the combination.

In view of the foregoing considerations, it is respectfully urged that claims 1, 2, 9-15, 19, 21, and 24-32 be allowed. Such action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, the Examiner is requested to contact the attorney at the below listed number.

Respectfully Submitted;

  
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